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Dear Eileen and Sam,

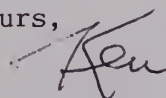
Bless your heart, Eileen, for your two wonderful (and much-appreciated) letters: the one written January 10 just before you two left for Pyengyang, and the one written July 8. Forgive me for being so slow in replying to them, especially when you took the trouble to prepare chapter heads, etc. What your last letter did, however, was stimulate me to bring our account up to date and then write "FINIS" --- also to arrange things into chapters, as you suggested, and adjust the Contents page. Thanks for spurring me on with your encouragement.

Just as I was finishing the job, Paul and Sophie Crane (who were with you in Pyengyang in January) invited me to their home to meet a Presbyterian friend of theirs who was their house guest and who in recent years started a publishing house together with a Methodist partner. Her name is Mary Wheeler and her company is "Providence House Publishers, Hillsboro Press", located in Franklin, Tennessee. She seemed eager to take on what I had just completed, and I felt encouraged to go along. So that's where things stand right now.

Meanwhile, I am taking the liberty of enclosing two copies of my final draft --- one for you two and one for the Speer Library (if you will be so good as to substitute it for what they now have). Apart from chapter divisions, I have made no changes in the text since you so graciously and laboriously went through it with a finetoothed comb last year and picked out its many errors for me (for which I will be ever grateful).

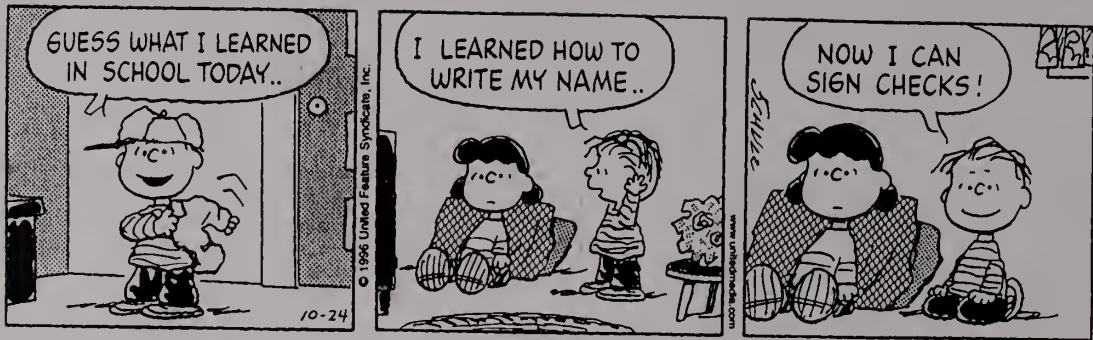
Ann is now undergoing chemotherapy and needs me with her constantly, and I am glad I can be near her to help. We both send our loving greetings and hope that all is well with you both. We cherish our friendship with you and are proud of all you both are doing.

Always yours,



P.S. I hope the UPS strike will not hold this up from reaching you in a reasonable time.

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